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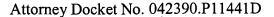
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Office Action mailed May 4, 2006, regarding the above-referenced application, Applicant respectfully requests entry of the amendment set forth below and consideration of the remarks that follow.